

SHORT STORY
OF THE DAY.

THE LIFE OF A MAN.

From the Chicago News.

"It is a question," Professor Kirkhoff said quietly, "between this and that."

Saying this, he looked down at the two objects between which choice had to be made. "This" was a man, a brown-skinned, unassuming, wide-eyed, motionless face for an occasional twitching of the limbs as the fever shiver shook him; silent, except when his parched lips moved in the inarticulate mutter of delirium. The professor's gaze did not linger upon this pitiful figure. It traveled to "that"—two loose, clay tablets, evidently of extreme antiquity and closely covered with a strange cuneiform character, which had just been carefully strapped by his companion to the backs of two kneeling camels.

"Seeing we are now reduced to two beasts only," he said, "it is my duty to choose for an instant to the body of a third camel which will lead some twenty yards off, leaving the two beasts to their own devices, probably twenty-four hours' ride from the nearest well, and that this man is a dead weight on our hands."

"You don't dream of abandoning the poor chap?" Dick Harding broke in.

The professor glanced over his shoulder at his companion. "You are a puzzle to me, a man of distinguished scientific attainments, capable of strong scientific enthusiasm, yet occasionally betraying a vein of sentimentality altogether out of place in connection with the study of the dead."

"You wouldn't leave him here to die?" the Englishman persisted.

"The professor rubbed his forehead thoughtfully. 'He's bound to die soon in any case.'"

"I don't see that at all. If we can keep him alive till we get out of this—"

"Impossible," the professor said, "and these two camels cannot carry him in addition to you and me and the tablets."

"Then leave some of the tablets behind," the professor fairly gasped for breath.

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"What a Khirgis Tartar beside these priceless things!"

"Kirkhoff's short-sighted eyes gleamed angrily behind his glasses; his voice was thick with passion."

"What a Khirgis Tartar!" he growled like a wild animal.

"He's a man, anyway," Harding retorted. "Suppose I refuse to leave this fellow!"

"Then," the professor became all at once ominously cool, "I am forced to remind you that I am the head of this expedition and you my assistant. Al-

though I am not a Khirgis, I am a man, and you are a man. You can join the party or not, as you please."

Harding grew pale. "You can choose your own men?"

"And I say," the professor said, "you are a fool. Come, will you mount?"

"No!"

"The German shrugged his shoulders. 'Have it your own way,' he said. And, gathering up his long leading rein which he had fastened to the head of the camel, he prepared to seat himself on the other."

But here Harding sprang upon him suddenly. "No," he said, "you must leave me a hundred yards behind you, though it may mean your death."

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